

you was. about M.  
 Water's letter.  
 I wrote to M. &  
 Warren, &  
 was nothing  
 of it.  
 Dear Deborah,  
 Geo Phillips  
 has lost  
 his wife  
 who has  
 left a  
 baby  
 2 mos. old.  
 she gave  
 it to Northampton  
 sister  
 who is  
 in nursing  
 the  
 no one  
 is.

May 4 1842.  
 Wednesday morning.  
 Massion House.

If you have not had any letters from home  
 or from Caroline, you will be astonished at my state. I have  
 some idea that I wrote to you my intention of coming here with  
 H. & M. but on the whole, I believe I did not. I will therefore begin  
 in order. I had a letter from M. a week ago Monday, asking me to  
 come up here with them taking Annie. This letter proposition was  
 negative & I remained in a doubtful state, not knowing as  
 they would with me to come or little as was not. But Thursday  
 night they came down in the dining stage, & I made up my  
 mind to go in town with them on Saturday preparatory to starting  
 for Northampton Monday. I did up my muslin Friday in the  
 stage greatest haste, or more properly M. did them & that was  
 about all I could do. My dyed silk was still at the Dry House  
 for that I had not had the money to get, & yet I felt as  
 if I must have it, for with the advice & consent of the  
 council, I had arranged to go from N. to N. York. The dining  
 stage sent over for us on Sat & we got safely in to town.  
 I was on my feet the whole day, and soon to say, I had to  
 spend \$5. getting ready for my journey. I don't know what I  
 should have done had I not had the carpet money in my hands.  
 I do not know as there will be enough left when I get back  
 to buy it, but you need have nothing more to do with it, as  
 what is wanting M. can supply. As extravagance is not  
 one of my vices, I will tell you what I got, for I do not see  
 that I could have done with more.

Dry House Bill	1.50
2d brown Linen	20
2 1/2 yds of London fr fringes	42
Kind Gloves	62 1/2
Belk Waxed Stockings	60
3 yds light Green Ribbon	75
Green flowers	50
Deep Maker	62 1/2
3 yds 1/2 nie cream fr	65
Belton out	80
Comb. pins, silk	615

I was horrified at the unlooked for ex-  
 penditure, but I am not sorry that I  
 agreed to come up here, for I have  
 been some help to Maria and I should  
 have had part of the expense had I  
 gone to N. Y. But I will occupy no  
 more time with financial matters.

As my things were all packed on  
 Sunday, I did not go out at all. Warren called to take leave



as he was to sail for Havana on Wed or Thursday. He was and  
in very good spirits, as the risk of the present voyage is his own  
& business is bad. Still he thought it the best thing he could  
do. He will come back to Boston about the 20<sup>th</sup> of June. & then  
go to England by steam & to Russia. Wendell & Ellen called in  
the evening. I took tea at Henrietta's. She & Catherine are going  
to N. Y. Emma went out of town on Sat afternoon. She had  
been staying with Caroline a day or two. She came in town  
to buy herself some gowns which she accomplished much to her  
satisfaction & she staid rather longer as Lizzy had an attack  
of sore throat & could not go to school. Monday we were all up  
at 6. Henry breakfasted with us & at half past 6. we started  
The route is first to Worcester & then by the R. R. about 35 miles  
farther <sup>to Weymouth</sup> where we take the stage, proceeded 15 miles & behold  
Nook an pt. in all 91 miles. The day was fine part way, & our  
R. R. experience was a comfortable one. W. H. Small & his little  
girl were in the car. We left them at Palmer. After we took  
the stage the first part of the way was gloomy. The latter, perfectly  
lovely. But the road was very bad & jolted us about to a  
great degree, & we were more fatigued by the 15 miles of stage  
than by all that had gone before. We reached Weymouth at  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  past 11 & N. at  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 2. Maria was very much fagged out  
Henry not much so, & I less than ever after so long a journey.  
We had a good dinner, Henry wrote to Boston & I added  
a few lines & sewed. Mrs. Lymon called in the evening. She is  
a very agreeable talkative sort of person, courteous in the  
extreme, full of apologies for her husband's & daughter not coming  
too. Tuesday early in the morning was pleasant, tho' alas,  
not warm. Henry & I took quite a long walk, went to the  
Book store where was a very respectable circulating library &  
in short, explored. I never was in so pretty a country town in  
Mass. I think. Then Henry rode & left his name for Mr. Allen  
who lives between 2 & 3 miles off. While he was gone Judge  
Lymon & his daughter called; the Judge a polite amiable gentle  
man of the old school, the daughter a lovely looking girl  
with very nice manners. She offered to walk with me any time  
& recommended "Aunt Sally" if I rode. In the afternoon Mr. Allen made



a long call. He was looking well & full of greenbacks. He seems perfectly contented with his situation, & asked us to spend the evening at his house, but we declined as Henry did not go out evening, & we did not leave him. Geo Benson has two children dangerously ill with scarlet fever. I walked to the P. O. again in the afternoon & to the circulating library; got "Marriage" for Henry and "The Donager" for Maria. Mr Child came in the evening. The poor man looks tired & over worked, but was in a good frame of mind. He embraced M. & I as usual & was very friendly. But he has upset my plan of going on to N. Y. with him. for he says he is not going. I don't know how I shall manage, but Providence will provide. I am not afraid to go alone, but I don't like to. However I may hear of some body. And now I come to the most important part, Henry's health. I don't think he improves any. He has a great acceleration of pulse at night & night sweats. His cough is troublesome. His appetite is very good & he sleeps tolerably. He has eat no meat since he has been here & been careful in other respects. But the weather has been cold & raw & some times overclouded ever since we have been here & he evidently prefers Boston tho' we have exerted ourselves all we could to keep up his spirits & have been in a degree, successful. When he does go to Boston, I hope to make him see Dr Wesselhove, for Mr Dymon told of some great cures by homeopathy. At any rate it won't hurt him. I hope temporary relief from the hot weather. He said he felt better that warm day we had a while ago. But after all, my hopes are very slight and tho' I am very comfortably situated here & have a certain kind of enjoy ment my spirits are kept in a subdued state which may account for this letter being no more brilliant. One important thing I have forgotten. There is great prospect that Henry will take the house in Summer St, nearly opposite to W. Pratt's garden. It is a very nice pretty house, the rent it is supposed \$700. Henry is willing to give that. If they do go to house keeping, little Henry will go straight to work & will not come to N. B. but if any thing should happen to prevent



I think it very likely they would be glad to send him to you. I shall write you from N. York. Edmund & Wendell are going, Mr. Southwick & Abby, the Sargents, Mr. Loring & his mother. Bradburn is to lecture here Friday night. Mr. Child seems to think the Union in a tolerably good state. He has written a lovely memorial to the Sec of R. asking for an alteration of the Constitution which has been signed by all the leading people here. We are staying at the first hotel, & find it a very comfortable place. We have good rooms & every thing very well indeed, tho' not stylish.

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Miss Deborah Weston.

New Bedford.

Mrs. W. H. Westcott.

NORTHAMPTON  
MAY 5  
MS.

The house is taken we have now read over May 4. A.M.

We shall call on the Lyman the first chance & on the Adams. I was pleased & surprised at Mr. Beecher's spirit. I hardly thought his courage would hold out. The Revival at Weymouth is carrying all before it. It is ripe here too. Write to me at N. Y. if any of the N. B. folks come the Mr. Gibbons' house is 31. River St.

Ms. A. 9. 2. 17. 61